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## 'ROUNDABOUT THE STATE.

**Cleaned from Exchanges--Made by the Shears, the Pencil and the Paste Pot--Some Original, Some Credited, and Some Stolen, but Nearly All Interesting Reading.**

The merchants of Essex have agreed to close their stores at 1:00 p. m., Saturdays excepted, for an indefinite period.

The main interest in the election at Ironton, Tuesday, was whether the cows should be penned up or turned loose. The cows will be kept up by the vote of 134 to 42.—Bismarck Gazette.

Maple Williamson, of Illinois met with a painful accident last week and was unable to use his hand for several days. He owns some fine game roosters and one of them spurred him in the hand and it became infected.—Cape Republic.

Congressman Russell has ordered a primary election, limited to the democratic patrons of the office, to name the postmaster at Advance. There has been a hard fight made for this postoffice and considerable feeling engendered.

Among those made happy by the rain is John Warner, and perhaps others who had contracts within the Little River drainage district. The work had been considerably handicapped by the drought, which is now over.—Benton Democrat.

In the Federal court at the Cape, Tuesday, Ben Votow and Chas. Reynolds were each sentenced to three years in prison for robbing the post office at Mingo, while C. E. Edwards and Michael O'Toole were given five years each for robbing the post-office at Bryant.—Jackson Items.

The thieves who have been stealing the electric light globes out of offices and other places, had better begin to look a little out, since the business and professional men have organized to catch them. Then, those who buy second-hand globes had better look a little out for the law against receiving stolen property.—Hayti Herald.

An information was filed Saturday against Jack Ester, formerly yardmaster at Ercelfelt, charging him with voting too many times in the recent election. In some way he is supposed to have gotten wind of the indictment and when the officers went to arrest him it was found that he had disappeared from his accustomed haunts and could nowhere be found.—Benton Democrat.

Mrs. Manora Johnstons of Carthage will celebrate with a party May 2 her 101st birthday. Mrs. Johnstons was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1814, and is still active, being able to read and knit without the aid of glasses. She is six feet two inches in height and weighs 270 pounds. All her relatives being dead, she intends leaving Missouri soon after her birthday and will make her home in California.

Mrs. Lulu E. Robertson, aged 83, a widow, of Caruthersville, who was being treated for the morphine habit in a St. Louis hospital, committed suicide by jumping from a fourth story window. To her daughter, Miss Edna Robertson, recently appointed to a position in the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, she addressed the following note: "Goodbye, Edna. Mother stood where you could, May you be happy. Take care of Christy."

A Carthage negro preacher set his flock a very bad example the other day when he stole a Bible. Charged with the theft, the parson entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$1 and costs.

"Drag Days" are proving popular in Worth county. There were 138 road drags in Denver the other day competing for prizes offered by merchants. A like competition at Grant City the same day brought out 109 drags.

Mercer county's youngest great-grandfather is John Brantley, probate judge, who is only 63 years old. The same vital statistic that qualified Judge Brantley for distinction made the judge's son a grandfather at 41.

No more free board and lodging at Slater, is the edict of the city council there. Deciding that Slater had entirely too many indigent visitors, the council decreed that tramps found in the city limits would be put to work on the streets.

Whether or not the festive queen of the dairy should have sidewalk and street privileges in Piedmont, was the principal issue at the city election, Tuesday. The retiring city board passed a cow law some months ago. At Tuesday's election there were candidates for mayor and aldermen on both sides of the cow question. Victory rests with those who favor keeping the cows up, although the other elected their candidates in the first ward.—Piedmont Banner.

On Wednesday of this week the Illinois Pressed Brick Co., started work again after having been shut down for several months, owing to there having been no demand for the product. The company employs from 25 to 30 men has a capacity of 22,000 brick per day. Mr. Moore, the manager, informed the Jim that he has orders enough booked to keep the plant going for the next four months should no more orders be received.—Illmo Jimplike.

Orville Gregory and Bertha Green of Audrain county were married the other day and the groom paid the officiating minister for his services in pennies, according to the Nevada Post. He just handed over a tomato can containing 500 pennies. The payment was all right enough, though the sore regrets of the minister is that he had promised his little daughter all the pennies he got this year, hence the matter is regarded somewhat as a financial calamity by the minister.

In a vehicle more precarious looking than the famous "L horse shay" and depending largely on wire and binder twine for its stability, David Standley, owner of several hundred acres of rich Carroll county land, drove into Carrollton yesterday and, appearing before Frank P. Divelbiss, circuit judge, pleaded guilty to having \$43,000 in St. Louis trust companies, which he had failed to give in with his personal assessment. Judge Divelbiss fined him \$500, the largest amount he has yet imposed for "tax dodging."

The Frisco has taken off the "Bull Moose" train between Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff.

The Triplett Tribune is unable to understand the indictment by the Cole county grand jury of one lone gambler. "This is the first instant we have heard of gambling by one person," says the Tribune. "How does one go about it?"

Choosing the lesser of two dangers, a negro at Sedalia dodged a motor car and jumped into a barber pole, wrecking two large electric light globes that surmounted it. The negro declared he was not hurt but admitted that the close call made him a little weak in the knees.

A. M. Koonts of Booneville confesses to have been in the grocery business for fifty-five years. All but ten years of this time he has been in business for himself. He says he can remember when calico sold for \$1 a yard and coal oil was worth sixty-five cents a gallon f. o. b. St. Louis.

At the recent funeral of Paul Van Tuyl of St. Louis it was computed that he belonged to no less than thirty-two organizations of various sorts, some of them secret societies and others political and social clubs. He had been a "joiner" for twenty odd years. His uniforms were valued at \$4,000.

Swatting flies is now a classified industry at Brookfield where these market prices prevail: "During April ten cents a hundred; during May, ten cents a pint; during June ten cents a quart." In addition a "grand prize" will be awarded the person who during the entire season swats the greatest number of flies.

W. L. Hagar, a Henry county farmer, brought to Clinton the other day eleven wolves he had found in a hollow log near Lewis station. The wolves were pup-pies and after Mr. Hagar had exhibited them, they were taken to the basement of the court house and killed. For their scalps Mr. Hagar received \$33 as bounty.

Justice is meted out to criminals at Sedalia in very much of a hurry—sometimes. Thomas Ford was caught stealing horse collars from a barn up there Monday at noon. By noon the following day he had received a sentence of two years in the penitentiary, only twenty-four hours after he had committed the crime.

The Am-B-Ah-B Club of Fairfax must be an eccentric lot of young women. At their recent "stunt party" one of the tests was that of throwing playing cards into a plug hat; another was stringing puffed rice into necklaces. Corn bread, onions and buttermilk were served and even those who did not relish such a menu were forced to partake in self defense.—Kansas City Times.

Five Milan sports started out on a pleasure trip in a Ford, Sunday evening. After they had been traveling half an hour the car stopped. They got out in the mud and pulled the dooded but got no results. Then they fiddled the whing-whang for five minutes but the Ford remained silent. Finally they raised the hood. "By George," they all exclaimed in the same breath, the boys at the garage forgot to put the engine back in." The car had run twelve miles on its regulation.

Owing to ill health Henry Bain postmaster at Bryant for twenty-nine years has given up the office.

Sound like a funny thing to invent, but two Unionville men have just been granted a patent on a milk bucket.

Macon man confesses that several years ago he suggested Jess Willard, the big fighter, to whip Jack Johnson.

A Boone county woman has invented a "fly shooting" screen door that scares away the flies before the door is opened.

The work of marking the Interstate Trail through Clinton county will be begun at once, the material having been received at Cameron.

One letter does make a lot of difference, as the Harrisonville News has found out, especially if you are writing a personal about a "Miss Paetz."

A state militia company is in process of organization at Liberty. A part of the project is to transform the opera house into an armory and gymnasium.

As tuition from non-residents attending public schools at Chilli-cothe, the school board there this year will collect approximately three thousand dollars.

The new station agent at Saline Mercer county, is giving such general satisfaction that the patrons of the office have petitioned the company to raise his salary.

E. J. Kuhne of Wellsville holds the town's record for continued performance. In twelve years in the grocery business Mr. Kuhne was absent from his duty only one day.

Selling for \$125 a violin that he had "picked up" for \$8 in a Kansas City pawnshop, James Shelton of Excelsior Springs considers that he made a fairly profitable deal.

Tuesday morning about 10 o'clock two gasoline tanks blew up in a Wabash freight train when three miles west of Maryville, near the R. J. Sawyer farm, and 9 cars in all were burned up.

Don't stop feeding your cows when you first turn them to pasture. The new grass as well as young wheat and rye is composed of about nine-tenths water and one-tenth solid material. It is impossible for a cow that is giving a fair flow of milk to consume enough to keep the flow up. If the cows are once allowed to fall off in milk flow it is impossible to get them back to their former yield. In the long run it is economical to feed some grain while the grass is young.—W. M. Regan, Missouri College of Agriculture.

That hens could lay pint bottles of whiskey seems such an improbable theory that a West Plains officer caused the arrest of a poultry fancier, whom they had suspected of bootlegging. The sheriff and prosecuting attorney were hunting for evidence when they entered the hen house belonging to a suspect. The search was rewarded when a "bottled in bond" package was found in each hen nest. Disregarding the circumstantial evidence against the chickens a state warrant was issued for the owner of the hen house.

**Whooping Cough.** Well—everyone knows the effect of Pine Forests on Coughs. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is a remedy which brings quick relief for Whooping Cough, loosens the mucous, soothes the lining of the throat and lungs, and makes the coughing spells less severe. A family with growing children should not be without it. Keep it handy for all Coughs and Colds. 25c at your Druggist. Retailers: Dittus & Spring Tonic.

## A Place For Sheep on the Farm.

The department urges the desirability of maintaining a small flock of sheep upon the farm. With proper care and attention a flock of 25 or 30 ewes can be kept at very little expense, and they will prove of inestimable value in freeing the farm from weeds and adding something to the farm income. In addition to providing a considerable supply of wholesome food for the family, there will be a surplus for sale, and an additional item of revenue in the form of wool.

Many farmers make a practice of buying ewes in the fall, breeding them and selling the lambs the following summer. Such ewes can be carried through the winter on wheat and rye fields if not pastured too closely, or on clover hay with some roots and a little linseed meal. If the clover hay is not available, corn fodder may be used as roughage, in which case it should always be supplemented with bran or linseed meal. Lambs should come early and should be taught to eat as soon as they are old enough. Give lambs access to corn by providing a creep through which they can go without allowing the ewes to follow.

For farm purposes the black-faced ewes are more popular than the others, although good results can frequently be obtained from the white faced ones. In buying ewes, be sure that they stand well on their feet, have good straight backs and good mouths. Ewes that have broken teeth or teeth that are badly worn down should not be bought. As a rule, a sheep has one pair of permanent incisor teeth when it is one year old, two pairs when it is 2 years old and three pairs, or a full mouth, when it is 3 years old. A full mouthed ewe, if the teeth are in good condition can be used for breeding with good results although she may be as much as 5 years old. Never buy a ewe that has a broken mouth—that is, with teeth that have been broken off or lost.

None but a pure bred ram should be used. It is not necessary to have a show animal, but a strong, vigorous buck is essential. Shropshire, Oxford, South-down and Hampshire rams sire excellent mutton lambs and these breeds are recommended for the farm states. A suitable ram can be bought for \$8 to \$20.

The two principal drawbacks to the sheep industry in the farm states are dogs and stomach worms. The dog nuisance can be obviated to a great extent by placing dog proof fences around the pastures. The presence of stomach worms is a very serious drawback. The young lambs become infected with them by eating grass to which the worms have attached themselves, the eggs being deposited by the mature sheep. It is therefore desirable to keep the lambs on land on which the mature sheep have not run, and if possible, in cases of bad infections, to keep the lambs away from the mature sheep as much as possible.

In the farm states the farmers will find it to their best advantage to regard the wool from the sheep as a by-product, and direct their principal attention to the production of lambs and mutton for the table.

**Allen's Foot-Paste for the Trops.** Over 100,000 packages of Allen's Foot-Paste, the antiseptic powder, to shake into your shoes, are being used by the German and Allied troops at the front, because it keeps the feet and makes walking easy. Sold everywhere. See the FREE sample address Allen G. Chas. LeRoy, N. Y.

## The Care of New Hatched Chicks.

Millions of chickens are lost each year because of improper methods of feeding. Some of this loss can be prevented by using the plan of raising chicks which has been worked out by the Poultry Department of the University of Missouri.

Chicks should not be fed until they are forty-eight hours old and then should receive nothing but fine, white grit. This stimulates the digestive organs and prepares them for food which is to follow. The next feeding should be a mixture of 3 parts finely cracked corn and 1 part steel cut oats, fed dry.

Some of this mixture or commercial chick food should be in the litter at all times so as to encourage the chicks to exercise.

Twice daily the chicks should receive rolled oats or a mixture of 3 parts bread crumbs, 3 parts corn bread and 1 part boiled egg. This mixture may be fed dry, or it may be slightly dampened with sour milk. Young chicks should always have access to clean drinking water or if possible some skim milk or buttermilk. These should be kept in a vessel so constructed that the chicks cannot get themselves wet.

Robbers made their regular, ever-so-often visit to the Wabash depot at Gallatin the other morning and carried away \$68.70, chronicles the North-Missourian. The ticket sales the night before had been unusually large, hence the loss is greater than usual.

"Quit your kiddin'," was the injunction of a Joplin officer after arresting a man who insisted his name was John Doe. After a series of "third degree" questioning, the police concluded the prisoner had given his right name and John Doe was given ten days in jail.

## GIFT OF \$35,000 DECLINED.

Postal Employees Offered It to Thomas L. Reilly of Connecticut for His Services in Their Struggle.

(WNU News Service.) New York, April 21.—The members of a committee of the National Association of Postal Employees here are wondering what to do with a \$35,000 gift which they offered former Representative Thomas L. Reilly, Meriden, Conn., and which was politely, but firmly declined.

As a member of congress from 1905 to 1915 Reilly initiated much legislation for the benefit of the postal employees. A few days ago he was requested to meet a delegation of the postal employees in a New York hotel and the meeting took place there. The postal employees had a silver plate and on it the \$35,000 in cash presented the Connecticut man.

Expressing his appreciation of the motive, Reilly declined the gift, platter and all, saying that he had worked for the interest of the postal employees without thought of reward and that but for the selfishness of the Connecticut electorate he would still be serving them in congress.

## REDMAN MADE RECORD CLERK.

Roberts Will Go to Superintendent of Construction Office, Says Prison Warden.

(WNU News Service.) Leavenworth, Kan., April 21.—Deputy Warden Remoe of the United States penitentiary here said he expected to send Donn M. Roberts, former mayor of Terre Haute, who, with 29 others, was convicted of election conspiracy, to the office of the superintendent of construction to become an assistant. Because of his engineering experience Roberts will be a valuable man, as there is much construction work under way at present.

Donn M. Roberts, the former sheriff, will enter the prison blacksmith shop, while Judge Eli Redman, because of his knowledge of the law, will be assigned to the office of the record clerk. The others will be placed about the institution as clerks, orderlies and workers on the prison farm.